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DECLARATION BY DR. CHAU-TING YEH UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

I, Chau-Ting Yeh, hereby declare that:

1. I am the sole inventor of the subject matter described and claimed in the above-identified application, which relates to novel viral sequences, including NV-F (SEQ ID NO: 1) shown at page 1 of the application.

2. I supervised the following three experiments:

Experiment 1

The protein encoded by NV-F was expressed and used to generate antibodies according to methods described at page 5, line 28 to page 6, line 13 of the application. The coding sequence of NV-F was inserted into a pYES2/NT vector (Invitrogen Corporation, Carlsbad, CA) so that it was fused in-frame with both the polyhistidine coding region and the Xpress coding sequence in this vector. The resulting fusion coding region was then released by restriction

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